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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PORG PBOR UNGA TO MP US UR
SUBJECT: SOVIET DEMARCHE TO MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT IN
FAVOR OF INDEPENDENCE FOR MICRONESIA

1. HERVE DUBAL, ACTING PERM SEC, MAURITIAN MINISTRY
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, MENTIONED TO ME AUGUST 19 THAT THE
SOVIET CHARGE, NICOLAI KLOUCHINE, HAD CALLED ON HIM
LAST WEEK AND HAD REQUESTED MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT (GOM)
SUPPORT AT THE UNITED NATIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE FOR
MICRONESIA. DUVAL SAID KLOUCHINE HAD BEEN SOMEWHAT
"CASUAL" IN HIS APPROACH, SAYING IN AN OFF-HAND
MANNER THAT "THE U.S. IS READY TO GRANT INDEPENDENCE
TO THESE TERRITORIES," SO THERE SHOULD BE NO OBJECTION
TO APPROVING A RESOLUTION IN FAVOR OF INDEPENDENCE
AT THE UNITED NATIONS. DUVAL SAID TO ME THAT HE WAS
NOT WELL INFORMED ON THE SUBJECT, AND ASKED IF WE COULD
PROVIDE INFORMATION AND BACKGROUND ON OUR POSITION ON
THE MICRONESIAN QUESTION.

2. FYI. HERVE DUVAL IS THE BROTHER OF GAETAN DUVAL,
LONG-TIME LEADER OF THE MAURITIAN SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC
PARTY AND MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS IN THE
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COALITION GOVERNMENT OF 1969-73. HERVE HAS NOT BEEN
IN FOREIGN MINISTRY RECENTLY BUT WAS SUDDENLY
NAMED TO POST OF ACTING PERM SEC IN PLACE OF
FEDERIC PARFAIT, WHO IS ON EXTENDED LEAVE. IT
IS PROBABLE THAT HE WOULD LIKE TO TAKE OUR SIDE ON
THE ISSUE. THE DUVALS ARE STRONGLY ANTI-SOVIET.
END FYI.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PROVIDE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, TO BE PASSED TO DUVAL: (A) CURRENT STATUS OF MICRONESIAN NEGOTIATIONS; (B) MANNER IN WHICH QUESTION MAY ARISE AT UNGA; (C) USG POSITION ON ISSUE; (D) ANY OTHER PERTINENT BACKGROUND. WOULD LIKE TO BRIEF DUVAL THIS WEEK, AS GOM DELEGATION TO UNGA DEPARTS COUNTRY 10 SEPTEMBER.

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